

AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 CHURCHES - talk

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£7 SCPT members, otherwise £10
£5 per person for groups of four or more

An illustrated talk by Andrew Plumridge, architect and trustee

Andrew attributes his love of churches to his time spent pumping air into the old organ at Burpham Church, earning ten bob a time for weddings and nothing on Sundays. "When you're pumping that lever up and down," he says, "you have plenty of time to enjoy the architecture and pray for electrification!"

After graduating as an architect he first took on the role of Special Projects Surveyor to the Cathedrals Advisory Commission, working at Wells, Exeter, Lincoln and York, before serving as architect to the dioceses of Oxford, Winchester, Guildford and Salisbury. He served as architect advisor to the Berkshire Churches Trust for 27 years and became a trustee to the Surrey Churches Preservation Trust in 1998.

Although best known as an expert on architectural follies, his talk will take us on a tour of amazing churches from around the world and some of the extraordinary man-made monuments to God.

All funds raised from Andrew's talk will help Surrey's church buildings via conservation grants made by the Surrey Churches Preservation Trust, a registered charity run 100% by volunteers. We are looking for volunteers and trustees.